## Samuel Proctor Oral History Program Public Program Series Events List:

Jan Beyond the Headlines: Exploring Gainesville Sun's Coverage of Race Relations from **Reconstruction to the Present** 

Cotton Club Museum, 837 SE 7th Ave @4:30pm

Jan Report of the UF Presidential Task Force on African American and Native American History at the University of Florida Smathers Lib E. Rm 100 @ 5:00pm

Feb

"OverKome!": Persevering with Collective, Community-led Development Cotton Club Museum. . 837 SE 7th Ave @ 6 pm

Feb

First of the First: Recognizing Lincoln High

Smathers Library East Room 100 @ 5:00pm

Stayed On Freedom: One Family's Journey

**Alumni Triumphs Mount Carmel Baptist** Church @ Fri-6:00pm @ Sat-3:00PM

Bringing African American History to K-12 Classrooms Pugh Hall Ocora @

Film Premiere of "Oscar Mack" Pugh Hall Ocora @ 5:00pm



**Documenting White Anti-Racist** Activism in the Gulf South National Webinar @ 5:00pm

Recordings of Past Events:



## HISTORY OF ORGANIZING AT UF

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THE PROCTOR PROGRAM'S CHALLENGING RACISM AT UF PUBLIC PROGRAM SERIES HIGHLIGHTS STORIES OF STUDENTS, COMMUNITY ORGANIZERS, FACULTY, AND OTHERS WHO HAVE BEEN ON THE FRONT LINES OF THE EFFORT TO CREATE A MORE JUST AND WELCOMING WORLD. THIS PUBLIC PROGRAM SERIES IS SUPPORTED BY AN ADVANCING RACIAL JUSTICE GRANT FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA.

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Event Registration Link:



Website:



Questions about the event? Reach us @spohp@clas.ufl.edu or call at (352) 392-7168 "It is in collectivities that we find reservoirs of hope and optimism." - Angela Davis

ANTI-WAR
PROTESTS MAY

1970



On May 6, 1970 UF students occupied Walker Hall. The university cancelled classes the following day and more than 6,000 people participated in a candle light march that evening. The last major anti-war protest on campus in May 1972 turned violent. Some protesters were arrested and others injured. UF fired or denied tenure to several faculty members because of their participation

At UF, Vietnam War opposition produced dramatic demonstrations, the earliest of which were teach-ins in the mid-1960s. The first large-scale anti-war demonstration on campus was 1,500 organizers on October 15, 1969. Yet overall, UF remained a relatively conservative and quiet campus. In the early 1970s, student draft deferments ended and anti-war sentiment intensified. After four students were killed at Kent State University, anti-war

demonstrations on UF's campus grew.

ANTI-WAR



Organizational Solidarity!
Scan the QR codes to hear oral interviews from the folks who lived it.



INTERVIEW WITH
FOUNDER DAVID HORNE

In the 1970s, a core assembly of about ten black students formed the Black Student Union. Among them were David Horne and Charles Goston which can be viewed in with the QR code. Eventually the BSU went on to participate in "Black Thursday," a sit-in of the university president's office staged at Tigert Hall to demand inclusivity and a Black Studies and Black faculty.



"We are the ones we have been waiting for" - Alice Walker

The Loyal 99 is an organization founded by UF Black Student Union members in the 1970s. The Loyal 99's goal was to change the trajectory of "law enforcement, education, economics, and politics" for African Americans before 1999."

Their idea was, "if certain things did not happen in the African American community, African Diaspora community that it would not survive."

THE LOYAL 99, INTERVIEW FOUNDER NIKITA OKENBE-RA IMANI



## FRIENDS OF LAKE ALICE ECOLOGICAL PROTESTS



In 1997, UF's Environmental Action
Group organized a rally protesting
construction of a student housing
project that would "destroy the bat
house, student gardens, and biomass
experimental areas." They carried out
their protest for over a year. Finally,
UF designated Lake Alice and the bat
house fields a Land Bank, limiting any
future construction and preserving
UF's natural environment.





More than 40 student, local, and national organizations and farms working on a diversity of social justice and environmental stewardship issues, including a strong campus coalition to abolish prison slavery in University of Florida's (UF) food sourcing. The aim of the coalition is to compel UF to implement concrete terms for a more equitable food service in their next multi-year dining service contract.

## **UF Food Justice**

